

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to mandate transferability of certain postsecondary credit hours.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. All general education course credit hours fulfilling graduation requirements in institutions accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools accrediting agency shall be transferable between the universities under the control of the South Dakota Board of Regents and the technical institutes governed by the South Dakota Board of Education. General education course credit hours are transferrable between the technical institutes and universities only for credit for general education courses. "General education" is defined as those courses which are not directly related to the student's formal technical, vocational, or professional preparation; part of every student's course of study regardless of area of emphasis; and intended to impart common knowledge, intellectual concepts, and attitudes that every educated person should possess.

Section 2. Commencing July 1, 1999, technical institutes governed by the Board of Education and accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and universities governed by the Board of Regents and accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools shall have articulation agreements in place to transfer sixty-four credit hours in the General Studies Baccalaureate Degree program and up to sixty-four credit hours in compatible programs offered by the respective institutions under the control of the Board of Regents. By December 1, 1998, the Board of Education and the Board of Regents shall report to the Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council on the progress of articulation agreements and the implementation of this Act. The Board of Regents and the Board of Education shall, by agreement, set the criteria and requirements for the transfer of any credits.

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I certify that the attached Act
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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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